Mass Killings in Bihar

1121. SHRI NAGENDRA NATH OJHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the incidents of mass killings of innocent people in Bihar by rival extremist groups and "Senas";

(b) if so, the details of such incidents took place during the years 1999 and 2000 uptil now and the number of people killed;

(c) whether the State Government has asked the Central Government for sending extra paramilitary forces to deal with the situation; and

(d) if so, the details of action taken by the Central Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of such incidents which took place during the year 1999-2000 (upto 16.6.2000) are given below:—

Year/Date	Place	No. of people killed
25/26.1.99	Shankar Bigha, Jehanabad	22
10/11.2.99	Narainpur, Jehanabad	11
14.2.99	Usri Bazar, Jehanabad	7
18/19.3.99	Senari, Jehanabad	34
30.3.99	Obera Belhara, Palamu	5
21/22.4.99	Sindani, Gaya	12
2.6.99	Chakia, Patna	9
16/17.11.99	Loto, Palamu	12
20.1.2000	Chandra, Rupwalia	7
7.3.2000	Kahalgaon, Bhagalpur	7
21.5.2000	Manpur, Nalanda	5

Year/Date	Place	No. of people killed
25.4.2000	Panch Pokhari, Rohtas	7
11/12.5.2000	Hasanpur, Lakhisarai	11
3.6.2000	Raja Bigha, Nawada	5
11/12.6.2000	Apsaad, Nawada	11
16.6.2000	Mianpur, Aurangabad	33

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The deployment of Central Para Military Forces in any State depends upon the over all security scenario and the availability of these Forces. Keeping in view these constraints, Central Para Military Forces have been made available to Government of Bihar to the extent possible.

Opposition to New Anti-Terrorism Law

1122. SHRI NARENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that terrorism-affected States deperately want a new anti-terrorism law that is also fair, in place of TADA;

(b) whether the Human Rights Groups and social activists are opposing another so-called draconian measure that is suspected to arm police to detain innocent people without proper trial or charge; and

(c) if so, whether any efforts are being made to harmonise security measures with civil liberties?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) There is a general agreement among the different State Governments on the need to enact a suitable law to combat terrorism.

(b) and (c) The Law Commission of India has submitted the Draft Prevention of Terrorism Bill, 2000 which seeks to provide law enforcement agencies with suitable powers to effectively deal with the growing menace of terrorism. Apprehension have been expressed in different quarters relating to possible misuse of various provisions in the Bill and violation of human rights. The Government has invited the views of all the State Governments/UTs on various provisions of the Bill. Government will also hold consultations with political parties, other groups etc. before a decision is taken in the matter.